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<p align="center">REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).</p>	Application Number	09/147,405
	Filing Date*	April 1, 1999
	First Named Inventor	GUSS et al.
	Group Art Unit	1645
	Examiner Name	S. Devi
	Attorney Docket No.	GUSS3001/JDB

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: * Filing date must be on or after June 8, 1995; but if before May 29, 2000, then consider a CPA.

1. Please consider the following as the required submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- ☒ a. The Amendment/Reply filed on (date): Submitted herewith
- ☐ b. The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on (date):
- ☐ c. The arguments in the Brief/Reply Brief filed on (date):
- ☐ d. The ___ page(s) of Form PTO-1449 and copy of each listed document filed (date):
- ☐ e. Other:
- ☒ 2. A Two month Petition for Extension of Time is filed herewith.
- ☒ 3. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 02-0200.
- ☒ 4. A check in the amount of \$ 758.00 is submitted herewith.
- ☐ 5. This Request is transmitted by facsimile to number (703) _____.
- ☒ 6. Other: Proposal for Amending Drawings, Paper Copy and Computer Readable (Diskette) of Sequence Listing

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THE RCE FEE IS CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:						Basic Fee:	\$740.00	
Total Claims:	30	-	29	(highest number previously paid for) =	1.00	X \$18 =	18.00	
Independent Claims:	8	-	8	(highest number previously paid for) =	0.00	X \$84 =		
<p>Correspondence Address: BACON & THOMAS, PLLC 625 Slaters Lane, 4th Floor Alexandria, VA 22314-1176</p> <p>Phone: 703-683-0500 Fax: 703-683-1080</p>						Multiple Dependent Claim (add \$280.00):		
						Subtotal:	758.00	
						50% Reduction if Small Entity Status:		
						Total:	758.00	
Date:	740.00 DP 10.00 CP December 31, 2002	Name:	Joseph DeBenedictis	Signature:	[Signature]		Reg. No.	28,502

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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
GROUP ART UNIT: 1645
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Bengt GUSS *et al.*

Serial No. 09/147,405

Filed: April 1, 1999

For: New Fibrinogen Binding Protein Originating From Coagulase-Negative
Staphylococcus

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated August 6, 2002, the period for response to which has been extended to January 6, 2003, by filing a petition for a two month extension of time and paying the appropriate fee. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:

Please delete the sequence listing which appears after the abstract as separately numbered pages 1-24 and replace the deleted sequence listing with the new sequence listing attached hereto as separately numbered pages 1-24.